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Honorable William E. Colby
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill:

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☐ The JCS and the ASD(I) have completed a detailed review of the national and tactical interface issue. The attached JCS prepared listing of non-CDIP resources that contribute intelligence is provided as an interim step in determining the appropriate interaction between these two distinct areas of intelligence. During the conduct of this review and the development of the resource listing some problems were encountered. However, these are not large and the ASD(I) will take the lead to insure that they are resolved.

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☐ We will continue our effort to assist you in responding to the President's tasking on this subject. In this regard, the ASD(I) has been designated to act as the primary channel and point of contact within DoD for all actions on this problem.

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☐ The tactical resource aspects of this problem are especially associated with the DoD primary responsibility for the maintenance of the force structure. For this reason, our view is that fiscal and program considerations of intelligence-related resources whose primary purpose is tactical support continue to be the responsibility of DoD and be based on the military planning factors and force structure considerations which generate the requirements for these resources. Presentations to Congress on these areas are best made in the context of DoD force structure requests and clearly separated from national intelligence.

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☐ Your advice on any issues you see in this area is, of course, welcome.

Sincerely,

Deputy

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